

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

The Reverend Samuel M. Morton preached at Webster Groves Congregational Church on "God's Power and Divinity as Illustrated by Nature's Works."

The Reverend Frank Lonsdale delivered a sermon on the "Millennium of Christ as an example for all men at Compton Heights Congregational Church."

The theme of the Reverend W. A. Moore's sermon at Beulah Christian Church yesterday was the boy considered as the material of which the man is made.

Worldliness as contrasted with godliness was the topic on which Rev. W. A. Jones of Hyde Park Congregational Church preached.

Doctor W. H. Bates of Webster Groves Presbyterian Church preached yesterday on the duty of obedience.

A girl was killed and a man probably fatally hurt in a collision with a South Sixth street car at Broadway and Tenth street.

Critics discuss the net-waist girl as contrasted with the shirt-waist man.

Herbert Howe of St. Louis was in the city yesterday seeking a wife and a half-brother, who eloped about two years ago.

The city parks are badly parched by the long dry spell and are losing their beauty.

Two young men were robbed early yesterday morning while waiting for owl cars.

The marshals of the Labor Day parade estimate that there will be \$5,000 men in line.

The Congressional Committee of the Eleventh District is considering a plan for nominating the Democratic candidate by a primary held in the various wards.

Louis Petersen, a Russian, was badly beaten at Second and Spruce streets by a beer-canning crowd.

No relief from the present hot weather is in sight.

Herman Rande was shot and killed by his neighbor, William Allen.

"Roy Evans," passer of bogus checks, is badly wanted by the police. Several St. Louis victims.

Frank Kocher was drowned on his eighteenth birthday, near the Merchants' bridge, while swimming with a party of friends.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

New York scientists are much interested in the recent discovery by French scientists of a process whereby air may be renewed indefinitely. They are of the opinion that, if the Frenchmen's claims are well-founded, the discovery will be of incalculable value to miners, divers and druggists.

Tennessee Republicans are split into two factions, and have two State tickets and two sets of national electors. There is a marked apathy in the political situation in Tennessee, but it is conceded that Bryan and Stevenson and the entire State Democratic ticket will carry the State by substantial majorities.

The Kansas wheat crop has begun to move, and the railroad companies operating in the State are working night and day to get sufficient cars in readiness to move the bumper wheat crop of the State. Kansas farmers are very prosperous as a result of the big yield of wheat and Eastern factories are shipping all kinds of necessities and luxuries to the Sunflower State in anticipation of a good market this fall.

John Nelson was killed to death by a horse at Sycamore, Ill.

The 12-year-old daughter of Mrs. W. H. Bielefeld was killed Saturday night.

Bryan will make three speeches while en route to Topeka to receive the nomination of his nomination by the Populists.

Ball and Vandiver addressed large audiences at enthusiastic demonstrations in Stoddard County.

The Rock Island Railroad Company has served notices on its employees at Armourdale, Kas., that cigarettes are forbidden while employees are at work about the shops.

The Kansas corn crop has been severely damaged by the drought.

Freeman Hugo Gille was killed at Rock Island, Ill.

Mrs. Madge Doane, whom a mob of whitecaps at Centerbrook, Conn., attempted to burn, has some interesting exhibits to offer the members of the county to assist him in learning the identity of some members of the mob.

The extravagance and waste of time and money for which high military honors are responsible is said to have been illustrated in the recent shipment of 300 horses from Porto Rico to the United States.

Senator Mason denounces Secretary Hay's conduct in agreeing to the present Alaska boundary line as assassine and criminally incompetent.

The police of New York City are mystified by a peculiar brutal murder committed yesterday. A young girl was killed by an unknown person with a hammer, for the purpose of robbery. Her brother and stepmother have been arrested and are being held for further investigation.

A Bryan and Dockery club was organized at California, Mo.

Weaver visited Bryan at Lincoln yesterday. He is much encouraged over the outlook.

The Cuban school teachers visited President McKinley and toured Washington.

Manager Telford of the Louisville club resigned that position yesterday. John McGraw was appointed his successor.

Reds hit Powell hard and won easily. Sloan will ride No. 1 in the Futurity.

FOREIGN.

Official reports say that fighting in Pekin has resumed. The allies are bombarding the inner city and it is believed that the Empress Dowager, who was said to have escaped, is still within that part of Pekin.

It is reported officially in Rome that part of Pekin is burning.

Minister Wu says that the Emperor and Empress Dowager will not be overthrown, and that though they have left Pekin, they continue to rule China.

Marine Intelligence.

New York, Aug. 19.—Sailed: Steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II, Naples and Genoa.

Southampton, Aug. 19.—Arrived: Steamer Amor, New York. Sailed: South, Grosvenor, kurlur, from New York.

Bell, Aug. 19.—Passed: Steamer Southward, Antwerp, for New York.

Queenstown, Aug. 19.—Sailed: Steamer Umbria, from Liverpool, New York.

STOPPED BY GRASSHOPPERS.

Michigan Train Held Up by These Pests of the Field.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Aug. 19.—A Chicago, Kalamazoo and Saginaw train came to a standstill yesterday between Cressy and Delton on account of an army of grasshoppers, which entered the train and completely covered the track for several inches. The crushed bodies of the hoppers acted like oil on the rails, the drivers of the engine refusing to work until the insects had been shoved away by the train crew.

For the last week Kalamazoo and vicinity have suffered from a pest of grasshoppers, which is said to be more numerous here. Houses and stores have swarmed with the insects and there seems to be no way to get rid of them.

In one restaurant the serving of meals was discontinued until a large swarm of hoppers could be driven away.

On account of the plague the city of Delton has been closed for several days and all stores have closed at 6 o'clock.

The insects filled up the air lamp globes and put the lights out. Some of the hoppers are three inches long and they sting like locusts. In the celery fields their music is deafening.

FATALITIES AT PITTSBURG.

Four Drownings and One Death by Fire.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 19.—Four drownings and one death by fire.

The dead, Chris Paffenbach, aged 50, fell from a raft in Allegheny River and was drowned before his father, who was a short distance away, could reach him. Manly, J. E. Bourns was formerly a Major and held the position of health officer at Manila.

SLEUTHS SEEKING SMOOTH SWINDLER.

"Roy Evans," With the Old Bogus Check Game, Fleeces Business Men.

DESMOND HAS HIS PICTURE.

Police Scouring the City for Engaging Young Gentleman Who Is Badly Wanted for Criminal Penmanship.

The Police Department is looking for a smooth swindler who has been operating in the city under the old, yet ever-new system of obtaining money by means of bogus checks. So far as can be learned, this latest expert of the art of separating credulous people from their money has been at least three victims. That is the number of complaints that have been lodged with the police.

This latest operator is known to his victims as Roy Evans, although he has a string of aliases as long as a clothesline. He is known to Chief Roswell as one of the shrewdest men in the business. His picture is in the request gallery and he is wanted in at least three other cities.

"Evans" is a young man, tall, handsome, a neat dresser and an engaging talker, nearly all of which attributes are necessary to success in the chosen field of his master and appearance are such as to readily disarm the suspicions of his prospective prey.

"Evans" blew into the St. Nicholas Hotel last Wednesday, registered from Boston, and within a few hours had so ingratiated himself into the confidence of the clerk that he was able to obtain a key to the room in which he was to stay.

The few hours intervening before the man opened for business, the clerk was about to depart on his vacation, and by cashing the check he cut off \$50 worth of pleasure, as he had to pay the check.

In the meantime the suave "Mr. Evans," feeling the need of some new apparel, had ordered a suit of clothing from a tailor whose place of business is convenient to the hotel, and, on the strength of the clerk's recommendation, it is said, the tailor gave him \$50 change on a \$50 check, which he offered as a deposit on the order.

Then "Mr. Evans" sauntered over to the jewelry store of W. A. Gill, No. 622 Olive street, and selected a pocket watch at the modest price of \$5, for which he offered in payment a check for \$15, purporting to have been drawn by Wallace Simmons of the Simmons Hardware Company.

Mr. Gill was suspicious of his customer and the check, and calling one of his employees sent him with the check to the Simmons Hardware Company, ostensibly to get it cashed. The customer slipped out of the store with the pocket watch in his possession and followed the boy, stopping a few doors away from the hardware company's office, while the boy went inside.

The check was pronounced a forgery. When the boy came out, Evans approached him and asked him if he had the money. Upon receiving a negative reply, he took the check from him, gave him the money and went away. The next day he was seen on the street by the boy, but before a policeman could be summoned he had disappeared.

Chief Desmond has detailed two of his men to run the swindler down.

INGALLS FUNERAL.

Quiet Services in Respect to the Ex-Senator's Wishes.

Athens, Kas., Aug. 19.—Funeral services over the body of ex-Senator Ingalls were held this afternoon at Trinity Episcopal Church, and subsequently interment was made in the cemetery at Mount Vernon.

Owing to the request of the family for privacy, a request made in accordance with the last wishes of Mr. Ingalls, there was no great throng at the services. The little church was filled with friends of the family, and a few persons were obliged to stand. The exercises were very simple.

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Scruggs, Vandermort & Barney DRY GOODS COMPANY. Women's Summer Undermuslins.

Corset Covers.	Drawers.	Skirts.	Gowns.
Of Cambric, low, square neck; elaborately hemstitched; each.....35c	Of good quality muslin, umbrella style, tucked cambric ruffle; per pair.....25c	Of cambric, umbrella shape, 8-inch lawn ruffle, tucked and trimmed with embroidery; each.....\$1.00	Of Cambric, square neck, tucked yoke, hemstitched ruffles on neck and sleeves; each.....\$1.25
Cambric, French style, tucked back, trimmed with Cluny lace insertion and edge; each.....50c	Fine Cotton, umbrella style, hemstitched cambric ruffle; per pair.....25c	Cambric, umbrella shape, with deep lawn flounce, trimmed with embroidery; each.....\$2.00	Cambric, high neck, square yoke of tucks, trimmed with Torchon lace, lace edge on neck and sleeves; each.....\$1.25
Nainsook, French style, tucked back, trimmed with Valenciennes lace insertion and edge; each.....75c	Cambric, umbrella style, with ruffle formed of Cluny lace insertion and edge; pair.....50c	Cambric, umbrella shape, deep lawn flounce trimmed with embroidery; each.....\$2.75	Nainsook, square neck of hemstitched tucks, hemstitched ruffle on neck and sleeves.....\$1.50
Nainsook, French style, tucked back, square neck, trimmed with Torchon lace insertion and edge; each.....85c	Cambric, umbrella style, tucked lawn ruffle, trimmed with embroidery of hand-edges; per pair.....60c	Cambric, umbrella shape, Spanish flounce of Valenciennes lace insertion and edge; each.....\$5.00	Nainsook, round yoke of Valenciennes lace insertion, with Valenciennes lace edge on neck and sleeves.....\$2.00

VALUABLE EXPRESS PACKAGE STOLEN.

Adams Express Company Loses \$25,000 Between Burlington and Chicago.

MOST MYSTERIOUS ROBBERY.

Currency Was Taken Out of Package and Brown Paper Substituted—No Suspicion Rests on Employees.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 19.—The mystery of a \$25,000 express robbery is perplexing officials of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company. The Commercial National Bank of Chicago and the Adams Express Company.

The amount of \$25,000, which was in bills of large denomination, was shipped Friday morning by the bank through the express company over the Burlington road. Its destination was Burlington, Ia., and it was drawn to the account of the railroad company, on the order of J. C. Peasley, the vice president and treasurer.

Somewhere between Chicago and Burlington the package containing the money was opened, the currency abstracted, some folds of brown paper substituted for the parcel, and the package was resealed.

When the consignment reached the railway offices in Burlington and the robbery was discovered, there was no suspicion.

So few persons had known of the withdrawal of the money from the bank and its removal to the express car that the official investigation has been limited to the package before it reached the express company. It was found easy to support. The bills, in parcels of \$1,000 each, had been placed in sealed covers under the personal direction of J. T. Talbot, cashier of the Commercial National Bank.

By a paper messenger it was conveyed to the downtown office of the Adams Express Company and before removal to the train passed through the hands only of men in express robes, and all the employees in cash and convertible property.

The heads of the Adams Express Company co-operated with the railway officials in endeavoring to find the package. A local agency was placed in charge of the case. Manager W. H. Damsel and Agent James L. Calhoun of the express company, both of whom have been active in directing the ferreting out of many express robberies, went to the scene.

The investigation was commenced at the bank. President James H. Eckels directed that the package be opened and the contents examined. After the investigation it was established beyond a doubt that the package of money had left the bank in proper shape.

So far as can be learned, not the slightest clue to the robber has yet been obtained.

BUCK TAYLOR DEAD.

Famous Cowboy and Rough Rider Yields to Consumption.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—"Buck" Taylor, "King of the Cowboys," Sergeant in the Rough Riders and devoted friend and admirer of Governor Roosevelt, of New York, died of consumption this morning in Providence Hospital, in this city.

After he returned from Cuba with the Rough Riders, his health became poor and for many months he has been a mere shadow of the stalwart athlete whose feats of horsemanship and courage were the chief attractions of Buffalo Bill's Wild West.

He became a clerk in the census office, having been appointed by Director Merriam in the reorganization of Governor Roosevelt's staff. He was a poor, however, that he had not been able to do much work, and was constantly under a physician's care.

He went to Cabin John bridge, a suburban resort a few miles from Washington, last night. He was taken ill and lay on the porch of the hotel gasping for breath when he was recognized. He was attended by Doctor J. Preston Miller, who sent him to the hospital at once. He sank during the night and succumbed to-day.

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